

**METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF NONWOVEN WEBS, THE
COHESION OF WHICH IS OBTAINED BY MEANS OF FLUID JETS**

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ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

The invention concerns a method for producing a
10 nonwoven web formed at least partly with hydrophilic
elementary fibers which consist in: producing by
carding a textile layer (10) which is then compressed
and moistened; subjecting it to a bonding treatment
using water jets acting at least against one of its
15 surfaces; and transferring said bonded layer to a unit
(32, 33) to be dewatered and dried. Said method is
characterised in that, after the bonding treatment (20)
with water jets and before drying and delivery, the
pre-bonded and moistened layer is transferred to a
20 supplementary unit (28) to be treated by the action of
one or several series of water jets, said unit
comprising a mobile suction surface in the form of a
drum covered with an open-work structure (30)
consisting of a wire-mesh fabric, comprising successive
25 raised and recessed zones.